## BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIF

## **Application for Registration License**

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1 Application of		04:59 PM
Kloud Communications	Inc.	A221101:
for Registration as an Inte Telephone Corporation P Provisions of Public Utili	ursuant to the	
(Insert the full legal name see instruction 1)	e of applicant in blank above;	
Street address: 919 North Market Stree Suite 950	ıt .	
Wilmington, Delaware	9801	
E-Mail: jim.chiu@kloue	iness names under which	
VTX Telecom VTX Solution VTX Wireless Vertex Telecom Dynasky		
2 Applicant is:	A corporation (attach good standing certificate)	X
(Check only one; see	A limited partnership (attach good standing certificate)	
instruction 2.)	A limited partnership (attach good standing certificate)	
	A limited liability company (attach good standing certificate)	
	A general partnership	

A sole proprietor

Other (describe)

A trust

	Attach name, street address, and telephone number of application agent for service of process.  Attach list of the names, titles, and street addresses of all of and directors, general partners, trustees, members, or other persons authorized to conduct the business of applicant at a similar level.  Attach resumes listing all employment for each officer and director.  Attach list of all affiliated entities (see instruction 2)	ficers
3 Legal domicile	California	
of applicant is:	Other (identify): <b>Delaware</b>	X
(Check only one; see instruc	etion 3.)	
4 Applicant will	Switchless reseller	X
operate as:	Facilities-based carrier	
(Check only one; see instruc	etion 4.)	
5 Applicant will	Statewide	X
provide service:	In specific portions only (attach description and map)	
(Check only one; see instruc	etion 5.)	
6 Applicant expects to	DATE	
begin offering service in California on:	Santambay 17, 2021	( data)
	September 17, 2021	_( date)
7 Applicant will	True	X
provide: voice and data	Not true	
telecommunications only (C	Check only one; see instruction 6.)	
8 Neither applicant,	True	X
any of its affiliates, officers, directors,	Not true	
anyone acting in a managent with a company that filed for these positions with a company to disclose, or misrepresents (d) been (to his/her knowled agency; (e) had a telecomman revoked, or limited in any judone of these positions with a claims involving violations the California Business & P	(directly or indirectly) of more than 10% of applicant, or nent capacity for applicant: (a) held one of these positions or bankruptcy; (b) been personally found liable, or held one of any that has been found liable, for fraud, dishonesty, failure ations to consumers or others; (c) been convicted of a felony; (lge) the subject of a criminal referral by judge or public unications license or operating authority denied, suspended, prisdiction; (f) personally entered into a settlement, or held a company that has entered into settlement of criminal or civil of sections 17000 et seq., 17200 et seq., or 17500 et seq. of professions Code, or of any other statute, regulation, or and, dishonesty, failure to disclose, or misrepresentations to	

to public utilities or other re agreements or made any vol	en found to have violated any statute, law, or rule pertaining gulated industries; or (h) entered into any settlement luntary payments or agreed to any other type of monetary my action by any regulatory body, agency, or attorney see instruction 2.)	
documentation and describe	on is anything other than an unqualified 'True', please attach any such bankruptcies, findings, judgments, convictions, ns, revocations, limitations, settlements, voluntary payments ry forfeitures.	
9 To the best of	True	X
applicant's knowledge,	Not true	
applicant, or any person acti being or has been investigat	te, officer, director, partner, nor owner of more than 10% of ang in such capacity whether or not formally appointed, is ed by the Federal Communications Commission or any law gency for failure to comply with any law, rule or order.	
	on is anything other than an unqualified 'True,' please attach all such investigations, whether pending, settled voluntarily er.	
10 Applicant will obtain	True (attach documentation)	X
a continuous bond, issued	Not true	
amount of \$25,000 that will California Public Utilities C Information-Only advice let	_	
11 Applicant has a	True (attach documentation)	X
minimum of (a) \$25,000 in	Not true	
applicant, in each case reason expenses, including deposits	ller OR (b) \$100,000 in the case of a facilities based onably liquid and available to meet the firm's first-year interestate operations to generate the required cash flow.	
12 Applicant has the	True	X
required expertise to	Not true	
operate as an interexchange	carrier of the type indicated in the application.	

13 Applicant is eligible for	True	X
an exemption from	Not true	
tariffing requirements as set exemption. (Check only on	out in Commission Decision 98-08-031 and seeks such an e; see instruction 10.)	

I hereby declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the forgoing information, and all attachments are true, correct, and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief after due inquiry, and that I am authorized to make this application on behalf of the applicant named above.

Signed:

Name Jim Chiu

Title Eounder and President Dated November 8, 2022

Street

168 W Pomona Ave.

Address

Monrovia, CA 91016

Telephone Fax 213-996-1998 213-996-1990

E-mail

jim.chiu@kloudcomm.com

Principal Place of Business (if different from address on page 1).

Street Address 168 W Pomona Ave.

City Monrovia State California

Zip 91016

Phone No. 213-996-1998

#### **LIST OF EXHIBITS**

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EXHIBIT B- DELAWARE CERTIFICATE OF GOOD STANDING

EXHIBIT C – REGISTERED AGENT

**EXHIBIT D - COMPANY OFFICERS** 

**EXHIBIT E – MANAGEMENT EXPERIENCE** 

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## Exhibit A

**California Certificate of Good Standing** 



I, SHIRLEY N. WEBER, Ph.D., Secretary of State of the State of California, hereby certify:

Entity Name: KLOUD COMMUNICATIONS INC.

File Number: C4775232 Registration Date: 08/09/2021

Entity Type: FOREIGN STOCK CORPORATION

Jurisdiction: DELAWARE

Status: ACTIVE (GOOD STANDING)

As of August 11, 2021 (Certification Date), the entity is qualified to transact intrastate business in California.

This certificate relates to the status of the entity on the Secretary of State's records as of the Certification Date and does not reflect documents that are pending review or other events that may affect status.

No information is available from this office regarding the financial condition, status of licenses, if any, business activities or practices of the entity.



**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I execute this certificate and affix the Great Seal of the State of California this day of August 12, 2021.

SHIRLEY N. WEBER, Ph.D. Secretary of State

Certificate Verification Number: Z2WAPKY

To verify the issuance of this Certificate, use the Certificate Verification Number above with the Secretary of State Certification Verification Search available at *bebizfile.sos.ca.gov/certification/index*.



I, SHIRLEY N. WEBER, PH.D., California Secretary of State, hereby certify:

Entity Name: KLOUD COMMUNICATIONS INC.

**Entity No.:** 4775232 **Registration Date:** 08/09/2021

**Entity Type:** Stock Corporation - Out of State - Stock

Formed In: DELAWARE

Status: Active

The above referenced entity is active on the Secretary of State's records and is qualified to transact intrastate business in California.

This certificate relates to the status of the entity on the Secretary of State's records as of the date of this certificate and does not reflect documents that are pending review or other events that may impact status.

No information is available from this office regarding the financial condition, status of licenses, if any, business activities or practices of the entity.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I execute this certificate and affix the Great Seal of the State of California this day of September 29, 2022.

SHIRLEY N. WEBER, PH.D.

**Secretary of State** 

**Certificate No.:** 048866133

To verify the issuance of this Certificate, use the Certificate No. above with the Secretary of State Certification Verification Search available at **biz**fileOnline.sos.ca.gov.

## Exhibit B

**Delaware Certificate of Good Standing** 



I, JEFFREY W. BULLOCK, SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE STATE OF

DELAWARE, DO HEREBY CERTIFY "KLOUD COMMUNICATIONS INC." IS DULY

INCORPORATED UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE AND IS IN GOOD

STANDING AND HAS A LEGAL CORPORATE EXISTENCE SO FAR AS THE RECORDS

OF THIS OFFICE SHOW, AS OF THE THIRD DAY OF OCTOBER, A.D. 2022.

AND I DO HEREBY FURTHER CERTIFY THAT THE ANNUAL REPORTS HAVE BEEN FILED TO DATE.

AND I DO HEREBY FURTHER CERTIFY THAT THE SAID "KLOUD COMMUNICATIONS INC." WAS INCORPORATED ON THE TWENTY-NINTH DAY OF JULY, A.D. 2021.

AND I DO HEREBY FURTHER CERTIFY THAT THE FRANCHISE TAXES HAVE BEEN PAID TO DATE.

RETARY'S OFFICE

Authentication: 204535287

Date: 10-03-22

## Exhibit C

**Registered Agent** 

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#### **Registered Agent**

# **Registered Agent**

Jim Chiu 168 W Pomona Ave, Monrovia, CA 91016 Phone: 213-996-1998

Email: jim.chiu@kloudcomm.com

## Exhibit D

**Company Officers** 

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#### **Company Officers**

Jim Chiu-Founder and President, Kloud Communications Inc.

Alice Ching-Vice President, Product and Marketing, Kloud Communications Inc.

## Exhibit E

**Management Experience** 



#### Jim Chiu Serial Entrepreneur Executive Bio

Jim Chiu is the Founder and President of Kloud Communications, a cloud communication solution provider through the brand VTX Telecom.

Chiu brings over 30 years of experience in the information technology and telecommunications industry, with solid competencies and track records ranging from establishing new startups, creating disruptive business models and product roadmap, spearheading merger & acquisition transactions in the telecom space.

In November 1995, Jim successfully co-founded Vertex Telecom and served as President. In this role, Chiu established and oversaw all long-range goals, objectives, plans and policies including strategic alliances and maximizing operations. While presiding over Vertex, the company experienced tenfold growth each year from 1996 to 1998 and grew by 200% in 1999 in the prepaid services sector. In 2016, Vertex was sold to a publicly traded entity where Jim remained as President. At the same time, Jim spearheaded the acquisition of Giggle Fiber, a local broadband and cable company in the City of Arcadia and Monrovia, where he also led the company as President through 2021 until it was sold to a private equity firm.

A further testament of Jim's leadership position in the telecom sector, he served as the Chairman of the Board of Directors for the Texas-based ETS Telephone Company, Inc. dba En-Touch System from 2017 to 2020, restructure the company and lead the sale of the company to a leading private equity firm. Jim also served as board of director for the Canada-based Urban Communications, Inc. dba Urban Fiber from 2017 to 2019.

An innovator with deep experience in telecom, Jim founded a successful web-based company Bigzoo.com in the late 90's, offering cloud-based unified communication services which took the prepaid telecom industry by storm. Bigzoo.com was the first rechargeable prepaid long distance calling service sold online, offering low domestic and international calling, eliminating the cost of distribution channels. The company was successfully sold within 18 months of inception.

While at Vertex, Jim also acted as CFO and VP of Product Development at Vertex. His vision and leadership guided the company to become the largest Chinese American telecom carrier, with solid network infrastructure and financial foundation. Single handedly, Jim negotiated wholesale and carrier interconnection agreements with major international and domestic carriers. While resources were shared and developed into product offerings targeting different niche market segments, strong brand equities and distribution channels were built in separate



categories. To provide cost effective 24/7 customer service by leveraging on the existing network resources, Jim also established Callworx in 1999, a call center joint venture in the Philippines, offering BPO services to DynaSky, VTX and other clients. As a result, Callworx was successfully sold for profit in 2007.

Under Jim's management, DynaSky prepaid services became the most popular prepaid telecom household brand sold through 2,200 nationwide retailers, including the largest Chinese supermarket chain, Tawa Ranch 99 Supermarket, as its exclusive prepaid telecom product.

The company formed a separate business unit in 2007, VTX Telecom, and began offering data, IP PBX services, colocation, and integrated services to Asian American enterprises. The client portfolio includes EVA Airway, China Airline, Ranch 99 Supermarket, Taiwan Mobile, TP-Link, Globe Telecom, and major Chinese TV broadcasters such as ETTV America and CTI TV etc. Five years after the sale of Vertex, in 2021, Jim structured a management buyout of Vertex's asset and formed a separate entity, Kloud Communications Inc. and hired back the Vertex employees. VTX Telecom is now operating in full steam, getting ready to set a new milestone with its cloud communication offerings.

As a true entrepreneur, a series of building, leading, acquiring and selling of companies were orchestrated by Jim. Aside from the organic growth of Vertex, Chiu also extended the company's footprint in Asia by completing the acquisitions of China Railway NetSol Technologies & Development Co. Ltd., and two Tier-2 telecom companies in Taiwan.

Jim was listed in Who's Who among Asian Americans by Gale Research, Inc. Jim received a Bachelor of Science from the University of Southern California.



# Alice Ching Vice President, Product & Marketing, Kloud Communications, Inc.

Alice Ching is the Vice President of Product & Marketing of Kloud Communications, a cloud communication solution provider through the brand VTX Telecom.

With over 30 years of solid Marketing, Public Relations, and strategic planning experience from top worldwide agencies, Alice joined Vertex in 2003 as the Vice President of Marketing & Public Relations. As a seasoned communication strategist, Alice oversaw all online, offline marketing, website development and product management for Vertex and all its affiliated brands such as VTX Telecom and DynaSky for almost two decades. Alice remained on the executive management team throughout the different corporate acquisitions. During Dr. Peng Telecom & Media Group's acquisition of Vertex Telecom in 2016, Alice's role was transitioned to Vice President of Strategy and was put in charge of strategic investment projects, product management and corporate branding. Privileged to have worked closely with a team of developers and engineers, Alice is well versed in digital marketing, search engine optimization, affiliate marketing, and app development processes and has accumulated a wealth of knowledge in cloud communications technology and concepts.

Prior to joining Vertex, Alice held the position of Director of Interactive Services and Public Relations at Intertrend Communications Inc. She was responsible for PR strategic development and providing e-consulting services such as information architecture, website development, and overall integrated marketing consulting to help clients reaching the Asian American communities. Clients included Western Union, Verizon, Toyota, Sempra Energy, JCPenney, State Farm Insurance and Pala Casino.

Before returning to the United States in late 2000, Alice was the Vice President of Edelman Public Relations Worldwide (Hong Kong), a globally top-ranked PR firm, where she spearheaded a team of communications professionals, providing a comprehensive range of public relations consulting services and crisis management training to clients and overall management of the consultancy. While at Edelman, she oversaw PR programs, as well as web content development projects for New World Telecommunications, HBO Asia, United Parcel Service, British American Tobacco, Johnson & Johnson, Vidal Sassoon Greater China, USANA, and Remy.

Prior to joining Edelman in early 1999, Alice was Director at Hill and Knowlton Taiwan, ranked top three PR firm in the world, where she developed and oversaw local and regional communications programs for a diverse range of clients, including Procter & Gamble, HBO



Asia, Warner Village, Columbia TriStar International Television, 3M, Hermès, R.J. Reynolds Tobacco International, Gigamedia, and an award-winning product launch campaign for FarEastone Telecommunications.

Born in Taiwan, raised in Southern California, Alice is a true fusion of Southern Californian characteristics and Chinese heritage. She enjoys outdoors sports such as swimming, snorkeling, and hiking, and enjoys traveling, music, oil painting, and health-supportive culinary art. A bilinguist, Alice holds a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from the University of Southern California.

## Exhibit F

#### **List of Affiliated Entities**

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Kloud Communications Inc. does not have any affiliates.

# Exhibit G

#### **Financial Information**

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[Filed Under Seal Pursuant to Decision 97-09-035]

(Confidential Envelopes Provided)

#### Exhibit G

#### **Financial Information**

Kloud is a small privately-held company with a relatively limited operating history and therefore does not have audited financial statements, but provides comparable unaudited financial information.

#### Exhibit H

Narrative



November 8, 2022

Risa Hernandez, Program Manager Communications Division California Public Utilities Commission 505 Van Ness Avenue San Francisco, CA 94102

Re:

1013 License Registration Application Citation No. CD-2022-09-025

Dear Ms. Hernandez:

On September 17, 2021, Vertex Telecom ("Vertex"), a registered provider of interconnected VoIP services transferred its California customers and operations to Kloud Communications, Inc. ("Kloud"). As of that date, Kloud acquired Vertex's operations and customers. Kloud ensured that this transaction was totally transparent and did not affect in anyway the customers it acquired. Kloud continued to provide services under the same "Vertex" dba and Vertex's personnel and operations remained in place in all material aspects, including website, customer service, billing, and provisioning. In addition, Kloud provided the Vertex-contracted customers with a seamless transition with their services at the same rates, terms, and conditions as previously provided by Vertex.

In the winding down of Vertex, there was an oversight in filing a registration for Kloud with the California Public Utilities Commission ("CPUC"). In addition, Vertex recently received Citation No. CD-2022-09-025. At this time, in the interest of transparency, candor, and remedying this oversight, Kloud is submitting this registration.

In addition, Kloud seeks review of its 1013 License Registration Application on a *nunc pro tunc* basis and grant Kloud's registration as of the date it began providing service, September 17, 2021. During the pendency of this registration, Kloud will continue to provide services consistent with the manner that Vertex provided services and will otherwise comply with all requirements of the CPUC.

Regards,

Founder and President

Kloud Communications, Inc.

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